

Plaintiff : IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
vs. : CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
Defendant : No.
: CIVIL ACTION - LAW
: IN DIVORCE

NOTICE TO DEFEND AND CLAIM RIGHTS

You have been sued in court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take prompt action. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a decree of divorce or annulment may be entered against you by the court. A judgment may also be entered against you for any other claim or relief requested in these papers by the plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you, including custody or visitation of your children.

When the ground for the divorce is indignities or irretrievable breakdown of the marriage, you may request marriage counseling. A list of marriage counselors is available in the office of Family Court Administration, Chester County Justice Center, Suite 5301, West Chester, PA 19380.

If you do not file a claim for alimony, division of property, lawyer's fees or expenses before a divorce or annulment is granted, you may lose the right to claim any of them.

You should take this paper to your lawyer at once. If you do not have a lawyer, go to or telephone the office set forth below. This office can provide you with information about hiring a lawyer.

If you cannot afford to hire a lawyer, this office may be able to provide you with information about agencies that may offer legal services to eligible persons at a reduced fee or no fee:

CHESTER COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE
15 WEST GAY STREET
WEST CHESTER, PA 19380
610-429-1500

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

The Court of Common Pleas of Chester County is required by law to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. For information about accessible facilities and reasonable accommodations available to disabled individuals having business before the Court, please contact the Family Court Administrator's Office at (610) 344-6405. All arrangement must be made at least 72 hours prior to any hearing or business before the Court. You must attend the scheduled conference or hearing